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SUBJECT: DPC MINISTERIAL: PRIVATE MEETING - SECDEF AND
SYG LUNS

1. WE BELIEVE IT DESIRABLE THAT SYG LUNS MEET WITH SECDEF
PRIOR TO DPC MINISTERIAL MEETING. WHILE SECDEF'S TRAVEL
PLANS ARE NOT YET FIRM, LIKELIHOOD IS THAT HE WOULD BE
AVAILABLE FOR A MEETING IN LATTER PART OF WEDNESDAY AFTER-
NOON, MAY 21. ALTERNATIVE WOULD BE THURSDAY MORNING, BUT
RUSH OF EVENTS JUST PRIOR TO OPENING OF MINISTERIAL
SESSION MAY MAKE IT DIFFICULT TO FIT IN THAT MEETING THEN.

2. REQUEST MISSION APPROACH SYG TO ASCERTAIN HIS AVAIL-
ABILITY AND TIME PREFERENCE FOR A MEETING.

3. AS WE SEE IT, THIS MEETING COULD SERVE TO CLARIFY HOW
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CERTAIN SENSITIVE ISSUES, SUCH AS THOSE RELATED TO SOUTHERN

EUROPE AS WELL AS FOR ECONOMIC AND DEFENSE BUDGET TOPICS,
SHOULD BE HANDLED IN THE DPC RESTRICTED SESSION.

4. WOULD PARTICULARLY APPRECIATE MISSION COMMENT REGARDING
THRUST OF THE REPORT ON THE SITUATION IN THE MEDITERRANEAN
THE SYG WILL ADDRESS IN THE RESTRICTED SESSION,
AND ESTIMATE OF HOW

DISCUSSION OF THIS BY MINISTERS MAY DEVELOP, DIRECTIONS
IN WHICH IT MAY LEAD, AND TO KNOW HOW SYG INTENDS TO
MANAGE (OR LEAD) DISCUSSION.

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